

# Urban Transportation Commission Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting 12 May 2015

The Urban Transportation Commission convened in a regular meeting on May 12, 2015 at 301 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Room 1101, Austin, Texas

Chair Gilbert called the Commission Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

### **Commission Members in Attendance:**

Mark Gilbert-Chair Dustin Lanier-Vice Chair Stanton Truxillo D'Ann Johnson

#### **Commission Members Absent:**

Boone Blocker

#### Staff in Attendance:

Robert Spillar

Gordon Derr

Carlton Thomas

Cheyenne Krause

Anthony Segura

Joana Perez

Scott Gross

Cari Buetow

Howard Lazarus

## 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the 03/10/15 meeting were approved on Commissioner Lanier motion, Commissioner Truxillo second with Commissioner's Blocker and Johnson absent, the motion passed on a 3/0/0/2 vote.

Ayes:

Gilbert, Lanier, Truxillo

Nays:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

Johnson, Blocker

#### 2. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

None.

## 3. NEW BUSINES

## A. Election of Officers - Briefing and Possible Action

Commissioner Gilbert nominates himself for Chair. Commissioner Truxillo nominates Commissioner Lanier for Vice-Chair. On a vote of 3/0/0/2, the UTC selected Commissioner Gilbert to serve as Chair and Commissioner Lanier to serve as Vice Chair.

Ayes:

Gilbert, Lanier, Truxillo

Navs:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

Johnson, Blocker

## B. FY 2016 Budget Process - Discussion and Possible Action

Mr. Howard Lazarus, Director with Public Works Department, provided an update on their mission; organization and responsibilities; past year and asset review status; proposed Fiscal Year 2016 Department Budget; current and horizon issues; major operation efforts; major capital projects, community connections, child safety program; sources and use of funds; budget changes; future program needs and significant unfunded projects.

Mr. Robert Spillar, Director with Austin Transportation Department, provided an update on their mission; mobility fund; proposed program and staff reallocations; budget increases; parking management fund and proposal; CIP program accomplishments and spending highlights and unfunded capital project needs. No Action Taken.

## C. Downtown Alley Naming - Discussion and Possible Action

Ms. Cari Buetow, Environmental Program Coordinator with the Austin Transportation Department provided a memo to the Commissioners that steamed from a council resolution that directed the City Manager to solicit feedback of the Downtown Commission and other stake holders for the naming convention or naming process for the downtown alley way grid. A map was provided to highlight all of the alley ways in the downtown area; a dated correspondence signed by the City Manager that commemorated an internal naming convention; and current documentation from our GIS board that recently adopted the internal naming convention. No Action Taken.

#### D. Taxi Cab Franchise Renewals – Discussion and Possible Action

Mr. Carlton Thomas, Infrastructure Operations Division Manager with the Austin Transportation Department discussed franchise expirations; proposed readings from Council; Mobility Committee Briefings; recommendations for renewal; and mobility recommendations. Commissioner Johnson was in favor of continuing the year as is and would like performance measures on taxicabs. No Action Taken.

## E. Taxi Task Force Report - Discussion and Possible Action

Mr. Carlton Thomas, Infrastructure Operations Division Manager with the Austin Transportation Department discussed the meeting dates of the task force; multiple presentations, briefings and updates made to UTC; four briefings to the Mobility Committee; staff recommendation and mobility recommendations. No Action Taken.

## F. Accessibility Update - Discussion and Possible Action

Mr. Carlton Thomas, Infrastructure Operations Division Manager with the Austin Transportation Department discussed the November 2014 presentation to UTC; there were requirements that were set out to conduct outreach to communities for accessibility; provide data to the City that would indicate a service comparison and provide an accessibility service indicator on the app itself. One Transportation Network Company has complied with the

accessibility request and the other has not and no comparison data has been received as of today. No Action Taken.

## G. Brushy Street Vacation F#9479-1502 - Discussion and Possible Action

Ms. Betty Nguyen, Property Agent Senior with the Office of Real Estate Services presented a vacation of an unconstructed portion of Brushy Street between East 4<sup>th</sup> Street and East 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Mr. John Hodges discussed Capital Metro's property information; potential tract; connectivity; planning history; existing location of rail; location of the Lance Armstrong Bikeway and circulation concept plan.

On Commissioner Gilbert motion with Commissioner Truxillo second and Commissioner Blocker absent the motion passed on a 4/0/0/1 vote.

Ayes: Truxillo, Lanier; Gilbert, Johnson

Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Blocker

## H. Rough Proportionality - Discussion and Possible Action

Mr. Scott Gross Consulting Engineer with the Austin Transportation Department discussed the introduction to Rough Proportionality, legal background; usage; determination; proportionality worksheet and the next steps. Mr. David King asked several questions and the Chair suggested Mr. King review the videos for over 30 cities that are using this proportionality or impact fees. No Action Taken.

## I. Road Impact Fees - Briefing and Possible Action

Mr. Brian Rodgers with the Impact Fee Advisory Committee discussed the impact fees; advisory committee recommendations; how to maximize collections from impact fees; CIAC Semi-Annual Report; service area map and status; credit agreements and an article from Fort Worth City Council. Mr. Rodgers asked the Commissioners to support further exploration of the Impact Fee Advisory Committee's request to charge impact fees. Mr. David King is in favor of the road impact fees.

On Commissioner Gilbert motion with Commissioner Johnson second and Commissioner Blocker absent, the motion passed on a 4/0/0/1 vote.

Ayes: Truxillo, Lanier; Gilbert, Johnson

Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Blocker

## J. CAMPO 2040 Update - Discussion and Possible Action

Mr. Gordon Derr, Assistant Director with the Austin Transportation Department provided an agenda summary from the meeting of the Transportation Policy Board. No Action Taken.

#### 4. OLD BUSINESS

None

### 5. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Annual Internal Review of the Urban Transportation Commission as required by the City Clerk's Office Discussion and Possible Action
  No Action Taken
- B. CSAC No update.
- C. Downtown Commission Alley Street Naming was discussed
- D. CAMPO Item was discussed under New Business
- E. BAC/PAC BAC rethinking its role with Council and Urban Transportation Commission. PAC No update
- F. Taxi Task Force No update.

#### 6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

#### 7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Gilbert adjourned the meeting at 09:12 p.m. without objection.

Approved Minutes

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